es stations, reducing transmission and distribution losses, implementation of demand management, energy conservation measures and arranging transfer of energy from surplus to deficit areas.

Number of licences issued to the 'No Industry Districts' of West Bengal

1171. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of licences issued to the 'No Industry Districts' of West Bengal so far by the Central Government; and

(b) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, three industrial licences were issued during 1985 to 1988 (upto August) for setting up of industries in 'No Industry Districts' of West Bengal. Details are as below:

Name of Undertaking and Location	Item(s) of manufacture and capacity
M/s. Perfect Air Product (P) Ltd., Calcutta. (Jalpaiguri, West Bengal).	Oxygen Gas-0.47 mcm. Nitrogen Gas-0.47 mcm.
Kangsabati Co-operative Spinning, Mills Limited, Calcutta. (Bankura, West Bengal)	Cotton Yarn-25080 spindles.
EMR Polytex Limited, Calcutta. (Bankura, West Bengal).	Woven PP/HDPE sacks based on Circular Looms except items reserved for small scale sector-1200 tonnes.

Import of Rifampicin

1172. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry is not allowing registration and imports of Rifampicin;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for the same;

(c) since when registration of contract has been stopped contrary to the decision to allow registration and imports to the extent of 20 per cent of the requirements;

(d) whether it is a fact that import price is only $140 to $150 per kg. against the foreign exchange component of $ 209 per kg. in indigenous production of Rifampicin; and

(e) what are the reasons for defending such an extra-ordinary loss of foreign exchange?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (c) In the current Import and Export Policy (April, 1988—March, 1991) Rifampicin has been put in Appendix-3, Part A i.e., list of limited permissible items.

(d) and (e) The price of Rifampicin bulk drug was fixed at Rs. 3098/- per kg. in October, 1986 based on the recommendations of BICP and was subsequently reduced to Rs. 3000/- per kg. in January, 1987 and further reduced to Rs. 2500/- per kg. on 28-9-1988. International prices of bulk drugs and intermediates fluctuate widely from time to time.

Monitoring the production of Refampicin

1173. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer